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The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified, patent application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:After the Title and before the first paragraph, please insert the following
paragraph:

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--This application claims the benefit of the earlier filed International Application No. PCT/FI99/00636, International Filing Date, 22 July 1999, which designated the United States of America, and which international application was published under PCT Article 21(2) in English as WO Publication No. WO 00/05913.--

REMARKS

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121 (as amended on 11/7/2000) the specification insertion paragraph section above is shown on a separate page marked up to show all the insertions relative to the previous version of that section.

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